

CO-EXTRUDED CHEESE SNACKS

Abstract

A cheese snack (10) includes an extruded annular cheese product (12) and a
flavoring core (11) co-extruded within the cheese product. The core is normally flowable
5 at room temperature. The product and core have substantially planar end faces with the
core being exposed at the end faces. The cheese snack is processed such that the core
does not substantially flow out of the cheese product prior to consumption when the
product is stored at room temperature.